

REMARKS

Please note that the above-captioned application includes amended sheets that were filed on February 11, 2000 and which contain new claims. The Examiner is respectfully requested to examine the claims on the amended sheets, as amended above.

Also, please note that Figure 2a and 6c have been slightly changed from the published International Application.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning the amendment or the above-identified application in general, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned so as to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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